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1. THE AUGUST 29 PLENARY, ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED AS THE NAC'S FINAL WORKING SESSION, WAS SUSPENDED AT 7:30 P.M. IN THE WAKE OF THE GOP'S PRECIPITATE CHANGE IN GOVERNMENT. IT WAS RESCHEDULED TO OPEN AT 9 AM AUGUST 30 AND CLOSE AT ABOUT MID-DAY.

2. PLENARY CHAIRMAN DE LA FLOR RECEIVED NEWS OF THE CHANGE IN GOVERNMENT AT 11:40 AM, WHILE ALGERIA'S FONMIN BOUTEFLIKA WAS DELIVERING THE NAC'S MOST ENTHUSIASTICALLY RECEIVED SPEECH. AT THE CLOSE OF BEUTEFLIKA'S REMARKS, DE LA FLOR QUIETLY BUT QUICKLY LEFT THE CONFERENCE AREA.

3. BOUTEFLIKA'S SPEECH WAS MEASURED AND CONCILIATORY. HE SAID THE NON-ALIGNED HAVE "NO INTENTION OF RIVALING THE POWERFUL (NATIONS)" BUT RATHER IN ENGAGING WITH THEM IN A FRANK AND CONSTRUCTIVE DIALOGUE AIMED AT RESOLVING THE WORLD'S PRESSING POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS. HE SAID THIS DIALOGUE MUST BE A CONVERSATION AMONG EQUALS, WITHOUT THREATS OR INTIMIDATIONS. HE CITED AS PARTICULAR PROBLEM AREAS THE MIDDLE EAST (HE SAID THE NON-ALIGNED SOUGHT TO BRING THE CONFLICTING SIDES TOGETHER), UNCLASSIFIED

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CYPRUS, THE KOREAN PENINSULA, AND THE PANAMA CANAL.

4. IN A WIDE-RANGING PRESS CONFERENCE, ZAIRE'S NYATI SAID ZAIRE MAINTAINS STRICT NEUTRALITY WITH RESPECT TO THE INTERNAL STRUGGLE IN ANGOLA BUT ACCUSED PORTUGAL'S REPRESENTATIVE ROSA COUTINHO OF BEING "AN ACTIVE DEFENDER OF PORTUGUESE COLONIALISM IN ANGOLA." HE SAID, "IT WOULD BE WELL TO HOLD ADMIRAL ROSA COUTINHO TO THE SAME NEUTRALITY (AS ZAIRE) SINCE HE SUPPLIES THE MPLA WITH ARMS AND AID FURNISHED BY THE USSR." NYATI ALSO SUPPORTED SELF-DETERMINATION FOR CABINDA, WHICH HE TERMED A DISTINCT COUNTRY FROM ANGOLA. AS REGARDS CIPEC, HE SAID ALL MEMBER COUNTRIES NEED TO REVIEW THE CARTEL'S "ACTIVITIES AND DECISIONS."

5. IN SEPARATE PRESS CONFERENCE HELD THE PREVIOUS DAY, ANGOLA'S MPLA AND FLENA REPRESENTATIVES EXCHANGED INSULTS AND ACCUSATIONS. THE MPLA'S JORGE LED OFF BY ACCUSING THE FLENA OF CONNIBALISM. HE SAID MPLA FORCES HAVE DISCOVERED IN FLENA STRONGHOLDS REFRIGERATORS CONTAINING HUMAN ORGANS. HE SAID THEY HAVE ALSO FOUND CADAVERS OF CHILDREN WITH FRUIT STUFFED IN THEIR MOUTHS, READY FOR THE OVEN. THE FLENA'S VAAL NOTE REJECTED THESE CHARGES AND SAID THEY IMPUGNED ALL ANGOLANS. HE SAID THE MPLA WAS "PRO SOVIET" AND RECEIVED SUPPORT FROM THE USSR. ALSO, THAT IT IS "AN INSTRUMENT OF PORTUGUESE NEO-COLONIALISM LED BY ADMIRAL ROSA COUTINHO."

6. OTHER NAC HIGHLIGHTS:

- GUATEMALA'S REPRESENTATIVE REGRETTED THAT GUATEMALA WAS NOT ADMITTED TO THE NON-ALIGNED GROUP. WITH RESPECT TO PUERTO RICO, HE SAID THE UN'S DECISION NOT TO REVIEW THE MATTER SHOULD BE RESPECTED.

- PORTUGAL'S COUTINHO SAID ISRAEL SHOULD NOT BE EXPELLED FROM THE UN.

- SYRIA SAID ISRAEL SHOULD BE EJECTED FROM THE UN FOR VIOLATING ITS CHARTER AND FAILING TO RETIRE ITS TROOPS FROM PALESTINE.

- NORTH VIETNAM'S REPRESENTATIVE CONDEMNED US TROOP MANEUVERS IN THE CANAL ZONE. HE SAID THAT SINCE WW II THE US HAS MAINTAINED A POLICY OF ESTABLISHING FOREIGN BASES WHICH UNCLASSIFIED

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THREATENS WORLD PEACE. HE ALSO SCORED US INVOLVEMENT IN LOAS, CAMBODIA, AND KOREA.

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